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REMARKS

Claims 2-18 and 20-28 remain in the application. Claims 2, 6, 10-13, 15-18, 20, 22, 24, 25, 27, and 28 have been amended. The original application as filed supports these amendments. No new matter has been added. Claims 29-60 have been withdrawn. Claims 1 and 19 have been cancelled.

The Applicant notes with appreciation that the Examiner indicated that claims 16 and 27 would be allowed if those claims were amended to include all of the limitations of the respective base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, claims 16 and 27 have been amended to include the limitations of their respective base claims, i.e., original claims 1 and 19. Claims 2, 6, 10-13, 15, 17, and 18 have been amended to reflect dependency from amended claim 16. Likewise, amended claims 20, 22, 24, 25, and 28 now depend from amended claim 27.

Applicant believes that all claims now pending in the application are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests a timely Notice of Allowance for the application.

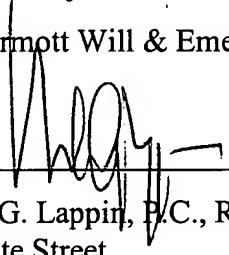
Applicant reserves the right to file a timely divisional application for non-elected claims 29-60.

If a telephone conference will expedite prosecution of the application the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned. If additional fees are required, or otherwise necessary to cover any deficiency in fees already paid, authorization is hereby given to charge our deposit account number 50-1133.

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